



**Agenda**

Office of Tax Appeals Hearings  
Thursday, February 21, 2019, 8:00 a.m.  
355 South Grand Avenue  
South Tower, 23rd Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Agenda updated as of 02/12/19, 4:45 p.m.

**Business Tax Appeals Hearings**

Roanja Planning, Inc., 18011858

Panel Lead:

Nguyen Dang

Panel Members:

Sara Hosey

Andrew Kwee

Appearing for Taxpayer:

Dennis L. Perez, Attorney

Appearing for Department of  
Tax and Fee Administration:

Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

Robert Tucker, Tax Counsel

Issues: Imposition of the 25-percent penalty for fraud; imposition of the 40-percent penalty for failure to timely remit collected tax reimbursement; and, relief of the amnesty double fraud and amnesty interest penalty.

Sterilmed, Inc., 18011881

Panel Lead:

Michael Geary

Panel Members:

Linda Cheng

Daniel Cho

Appearing for Taxpayer:

Jacob Bholat, Representative

Appearing for Department of  
Tax and Fee Administration:

Mengjun He, Tax Counsel

Scott Claremon, Tax counsel

Lisa Renati, Hearing Representative

Issues: Is appellant entitled to a refund of use tax allegedly paid in error.



## Franchise and Income Tax Appeals Hearings

Walter Parng, 18011288

Panel Lead:

Nguyen Dang

Panel Members:

Kenny Gast

Douglas Bramhall

Appearing for Taxpayer:

Walter Parng, Taxpayer

Appearing for Franchise Tax Board:

Eric Yadao, Tax Counsel

Maria Brosterhous, Tax Counsel

Issues: Whether appellant has established that the Revenue and Taxation Codes section 19131 (late-filing) penalty should be abated due to reasonable cause and the absence of willful neglect.

Brayton Kikumoto Properties, Inc., 18011187

Panel Lead:

Kenny Gast

Panel Members:

Linda Cheng

Douglas Bramhall

Appearing for Taxpayer:

John Brayton, Taxpayer

Appearing for Franchise Tax Board:

Andy Amara, Tax Counsel

Maria Brosterhous, Tax Counsel

Issues: ~~For the 2012 and 2013 tax years, has appellant established reasonable cause to abate the late-filing penalty imposed under California Revenue & Taxation Code section 19172; and, for the 2012 and 2013 tax years, was the late payment penalty properly imposed under California Revenue & Taxation Code section 19132, and, if so, has appellant established reasonable cause to abate it.~~



**1:00 p.m. Session**

**Franchise and Income Tax Appeals Hearings**

Joseph Michael, 18010927

Panel Lead:

Panel Members:

Appearing for Taxpayer:

Appearing for Franchise Tax Board:

Nguyen Dang

Kenny Gast

Sara Hosey

Joseph Michael, Taxpayer

Paul Rosenkranz, Representative

Sassan Salehipour, Witness

David Hunter, Tax Counsel

Ciro Immordino, Tax Counsel

Issues: Whether appellant has established that he is entitled to a casualty loss deduction for the 2009 tax year, and if so, in what amount.

The following cases were removed from this agenda:

James H. Nicholas and

Yvonne M. Nicholas, 18010918

Brayton Kikumoto Properties, Inc., 18011187

Taxpayers withdrew hearing request

Taxpayer requested postponement

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